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Docket No.: 043888-0260

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Yusuke FUKUMOTO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 9495
Application No.: 10/614,023 : Group Art Unit: 1745
Filed: July 08, 2003 : Examiner: Laura S. Weiner

For: NEGATIVE ELECTRODE AND LITHIUM ION SECONDARY BATTERY USING THE SAME

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated March 17, 2006 and the Office Action dated December 9, 2005, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 9, 2006, and the petition for a two-month extension of time up to and including May 9, 2006 being filed concurrently herewith, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.